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Here is a brief summary:

- BP is conducting the clean-up with oversight by EPA and U.S. Coast Guard (USCG).
- There currently is no sheen on Lake Michigan and the spill should be cleaned up very quickly.
- BP has not provided the amount of oil released.
- EPA Region 5 OSC Mike Beslow met with the press about the spill beginning today at approximately at 3:30 p.m. CDT. About a half hour before then, he briefed a local congressman.
- It appears that USCG does have jurisdiction over the spill response, but in practice EPA has taken the lead in responding to spills from fixed on-shore facilities. EPA does regulate this facility under the CWA (SPCC, FRP, NPDES).
- This is a response activity and decisions on any possible enforcement action will await further developments.

Please email me or call me at 312-886-1308, if you have any questions or need further updates.